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It originated in a desire on the part of brave men, to protect defenseless women. "It animated poetry and art; it created romance and heroism; it determined individual ethics, modified the policy of States and generally inspired the energies, while it controlled the destinies of all nations."

And it was from the custom of chivalry that the best and most humane portions of the laws of war have their origin. The qualifications of a knight were valor, loyalty, courtesy, modesty and careful respect for the feelings of others.

The day of chivalry is not past. Captain Richmond Pearson Hobson said in a speech in this city that in his college life he had adopted chivalry as his motto, having taken the cue from his college fraternity, and that in all his work and enterprises chivalry had been his inspiration. He further declared that in his opinion true chivalry was never more in evidence on both sides than in the war between Spain and the United States. He spoke not of his own exploits, but mentioned as one illustration the fact that after the surrender of San Juan, the American soldiers voluntarily came forward and shared their rations with the captive Spaniards.

In spite of the war cordial relationship exists to-day between Spain and the United States, and it is not a fair inference that chivalry is the hand of sympathy and union?

State Hospitals.
 Colonel L. W. Lane, commissioner of State Hospitals, is reported to have expressed the opinion during the investigation at Williamsburg that a good business man would make a good superintendent of an asylum for the insane, but that there should be plenty of skilled physicians.

Fortunately, the law-makers of the State do not agree with Colonel Lane. The statute expressly provides that every such superintendent shall be a "skilled physician." There was a place in Virginia when laymen were placed in charge of asylums for the insane, but The Times-Dispatch is informed that, under such control, the management was so indifferent, the patients were treated so badly and the advance in scientific treatment, that some time in the forties it was found necessary to replace the "business men," or "keepers," as they were called, with skilled physicians. Since then there has been marked improvement in the humane care and scientific treatment of patients. The Times-Dispatch is further informed that there is but one such institution, either in the United States or Canada, that has not a medical man at the head of it. Virginia is not prepared to take the backward step suggested by Colonel Lane. The superintendent should be a man of executive ability and a good business man; but he should also be a physician of the highest attainment.

The Truth of History.
 Harper's Weekly relates the following: A man entered a well-known restaurant in New York the other day and beckoned to a waiter. "Bring me," he said, "two friend eggs—one friend on one side and one on the other."

The waiter looked slightly puzzled, but answered, "Yes, sir," and disappeared. Ten minutes later he returned, looking decidedly worried.

"Would you mind repeating that order, sir?" he asked.

"I want two friend eggs," said the diner. "One friend on one side, and one on the other."

The waiter again disappeared in the direction of the kitchen. After a longer wait than before, he returned, his clothes disheveled and his face bruised and scratched.

"Beg your pardon, sir," he said, "but would you mind having boiled eggs? I've had words with the cook."

Everybody in Richmond will recognize this as poor imitation of Doug Leftwich's original. Mr. Leftwich was at a North Carolina hotel, and in reply to the usual question from the colored waiter: "How you have yo' eggs cooked?" said: "I want two friend eggs—one friend on one side and one on the other." The waiter went to the kitchen, but soon returned, and asked: "Capen, how you say you have dem eggs cooked?" The order was repeated, and the waiter went off mumbling to himself. "I knowed dat what you said. Dat cook can't understand nothin'."

But it was long before he came back once more, this time with a sad countenance, and reported: "Capen, you have to 'scuse dem eggs. De cook say 'I's a dem fool, or you is.'"

The records must be preserved.

Marriage of Divorcees.
 In commenting on the fact that several clergymen of Richmond refused to marry a couple because the man in the case was divorced from his first wife, who was then living, the Savannah News says:

"But what is the meaning of this refusal of the ministers and magistrates of Richmond to unite in marriage divorced persons? If they have combined to lessen the divorce evil they have taken a very effective way of keeping divorced persons from seeking to get married in that city. And if ministers and magistrates generally should refuse to perform the marriage ceremony where one or both of the parties seeking to enter into the marriage relation had been divorced, would there soon be a noticeable abatement of the divorce evil? Divorce would be frowned upon, and in a short time divorced people would find themselves shunned."

Probably so. But the case which our contemporary supposes is not supposable. There is but one way to prevent divorce from marrying, and that is by constitutional or statutory enactment. So long as the right is recognized the clerk must issue a license when the terms of law are complied with, and when a license is lawfully issued, the State must provide the means of consummation.

The Inspection System.
 Governor Swannow probably is doing the best he can with the existing law in requiring the State institutions to make quarterly reports to him of their condition, operations and requirements. This, however, is not enough. The next legislative session should provide for a general inspection of public institutions with sufficient salary and allowances to insure

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The brave man carves out his fortune, and every man is the son of his own works. —Cervantes.

A Victory for Progress.

The action of the Board of Aldermen last night was a notable victory for civic progress and public health.

The special health committee, headed by Dr. Ennion G. Williams, had thoroughly investigated the situation and prepared an ordinance to reorganize and improve the Health Department and put it in position to meet the demands of a modern, progressive city. The proposed ordinance was examined, carefully considered and approved by the joint committees on Finance and Health, and last night it was adopted by the Board of Aldermen with but two dissenting votes.

As The Times-Dispatch has insisted, this is not a factional fight, nor a personal difference of opinion. It is simply an application of modern methods to a city that is losing many citizens every year by preventable deaths.

The question has been threshed out in debate and in the public print, and it is to be hoped that the Council will, at the first opportunity, heartily concur in the action of the Board. The hot season is upon us, and there should be no unnecessary delay.

The Inspection of Meats.

The President used his big stick with telling effect on the meat packers. He sent his own inspectors into their stockyards, slaughter-houses and packing-houses, and gathered evidence enough to hang them. But the President didn't want to hang them; he wanted to reform them and compel them to give the public pure meats. He then served notice that the meat inspection bill must be passed, or the report of his inspectors would be made public. The bill passed the Senate in short order, as an amendment to the agricultural appropriation bill.

The President's information may be exaggerated, but he is satisfied that the abuses are such as to demand government inspection. It is said that the meats exported are pure, as trade conditions abroad demand it. The impure meats are for home consumption.

The government cannot compel the packer to allow his goods to be inspected, but if he refuse, under the bill as passed by the Senate, his products will be excluded from interstate commerce.

It is a good measure, and is a public necessity. Local inspections cannot be relied upon.

But, while the question is under discussion, it is opportune and appropriate to inquire whether or not the Virginia inspection law and the Richmond inspection law are properly enforced. The inspection should begin at the packing-house, but it should not end there. The Virginia law provides that the Board of Agriculture shall cause to be procured, from time to time, samples of food, beverages and condiments offered for sale in this State, and shall cause the same to be analyzed or examined microscopically or otherwise by the chemists or other experts of the department; and the board is authorized to make such publication of its findings as it may deem proper. Ample provision is also made in the city ordinances for the inspection of meats. The laws should be intelligently and rigidly enforced.

Chivalry.

It is said that the young King of Spain suggests as a feature of the marriage programme a procession through the streets of Madrid embodying the might and chivalry of Old Spain. Every province and every large town will be represented in the cortege, and historic events connected with each place will be commemorated. Thus Aragon will come forward with her Maid of Saragossa, groups of Moors will recall the past glories of the Alamo, and Don Quixote and Sancho Panza will do honor to the royal lovers.

It is well that chivalry be thus exploited. Byron was more witty than accurate when he said that "Cervantes smiled Spain's chivalry away." Cervantes had no such intention. Don Quixote was not written to burlesque the old Spanish Knight Errantry, which had disappeared a century before Cervantes's day, but "to satirize the prevailing taste for extravagant romances of chivalry." True chivalry was the glory of Spain and it was in the spirit of chivalry that Spain supplied the means to the chivalrous Columbus for his voyage of discovery.

efficient service by a first-rate man of high character and good sense. It should be the duty of this man to visit every institution at irregular intervals, on receipt of complaints or for any other reason. He should have power of access and the right to question all officials of every grade and to inspect all books and papers.—Richmond News Leader.

If our neighbor will turn to Section 1684 of the Code it will see that there is such an officer—the commissioner of hospitals. The office was created by the constitution and the duties of the commissioner are defined in the statute. It is provided that he shall be a skilled accountant, shall prescribe and cause to be established at each hospital a uniform system of keeping the accounts and records; shall at all times have access to such records and accounts; shall from time to time inspect the hospitals in all their departments; shall make annually to the Governor a complete report of the affairs of each hospital, especially as to the condition of buildings and grounds and the conduct of business affairs; make recommendations for the improvement of hospitals and their management; and so on.

His powers of inspection in all departments of these institutions seem to be ample.

Cassatt's trip to Europe was of the variety known as "dying." It wasn't long enough to make up for the sea-sickness.

Kokoshnikin, the Russian Democratic leader, sounds more like the name of some thriving Wisconsin metropolis.

Goldie Mohr, the wealthy chorus widow, is going back on the stage, evidently lured by a desire for more goldie.

No matter how closely you keep the Sabbath, you can't prevent everybody else from sharing it with you.

So far as the czar is concerned, is this little difference of opinion likely to turn out a headless affair?

As for the Pennsylvania's little difficulties, the Reading seems able to Baer them.

Beauty is only skin deep, but not the beauty that comes from good health.

Our meat inspection system, it seems, was also made in Germany.

Doubtless Alfonso has a perfect right to call her his Philopena.

The watermill is preparing for its annual smile on the vine.

It's passe weather for balbriggans.

Rhymes for To-Day

I AM the sum of the things I have done,
 And the things I have hoped and been.
 Parcel of each kind act begun,
 One with all my sin;
 Aye, whether the show be good or no,
 I and my past are kin.

And memory shows such a chequered tale,
 Half sudden and half divine,
 Though her count be of times that we win or fall,
 But she may read her sign.
 Ah, if it be bad or good, I'm glad
 That all my past is mine.

Oh, mystery all of the future is
 From cradle to the sod;
 The end and the beginning is only one,
 That belongs to a blind, dumb old;
 Since life's but the making of memories,
 So make them good, O God! —H. S. H.

Merely Joking.

Important.—Old Millions: "Oh, my dear Miss Youngthing, if you'll only marry me I would be happy." Miss Youngthing: "Yes, but would you die immediately?" —Boston Transcript.

She Remembered.—Mrs. Glen Villier: "How did you like my new hat?" Mrs. Wainwright: "Lovely. Who made it over for you?" —Cleveland Leader.

At the Garage.—Boy: "Mr. Smith is telephoning for his machine. Can you send it to him to-day?" Head Man: "Don't see how we can. Why this machine is the only one around here fit to use!" —Life.

All He Had.—Medical Student: "What did you operate on that man for?" Surgeon: "Five hundred dollars." Medical Student: "I mean, what did he have?" Eminent Surgeon: "Five hundred dollars." —Puck.

Twins.—"I saw the doctor go into your house this morning. Quiverful. Anything happen?" "Two things have happened, blame the luck." —Cleveland Leader.

Wonderful.—"I understand the Capitol at Washington has some wonderful echoes." "It has," responded the man from the capital city. "Why, if you stand in a certain corridor on the Senate side and shout 'thief,' the echo will answer 'liar!'" —Houston Chronicle.

The Banquet.
 Editor of The Times-Dispatch: Sir—In view of the fact that "lawyers, physicians, laymen and city officials were praising the movement of the Chamber and lauding the spirit in which the splendid feast was given," it seems invidious to utter the mildest note of criticism. You have been the object of the banquet, namely, to advertise Richmond, and the outcome of the banquet, namely, to take measures to advertise Richmond, is not very apparent. There seems to have been plentiful lack of connection between the dog (on offense) and his tail. The dog was there; that is, the banquet to advertise Richmond, and the tail; that is, the rhetorics and plans for advertising Richmond, did not wag. The whole, or at least, the chief, outcome of the banquet seems to the writer to be to leave us just where we were before the banquet, except that some three hundred dollars, and a general Union Whisker, and a Russell Stuphon and Lawrence Hosman.

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The newest story of the Williamsons differs from their earlier ones in that the automobile does not play a commanding part in it. "Lady Betty Across the Water," pleasantly recounts the adventures of a beautiful and high-spirited English girl, who was packed off to Victoria, an unwelcome chance to gather in a millionaire husband. There was also something of a sub-plot, involving as it did the enormous riches of a man who was going to visit; but Betty, of course, knew nothing of this. Going over in the big liner the girl was not allowed to have anything to do with the young men on board, and the best evidence of her being a girl was that she was going to visit; but Betty, of course, knew nothing of this. Going over in the big liner the girl was not allowed to have anything to do with the young men on board, and the best evidence of her being a girl was that she was going to visit; but Betty, of course, knew nothing of this.

Richmond's Progress.

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Lost His Position.

"And you say you lost your position by the great earthquake in San Francisco?" Inquired a numskull, replied Frayed Franklin. "What was your position?" "I was asleep in a barn at the time, mum." —Cleveland Leader.

MOTHER AND CHILD.

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(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) HARRISONBURG, VA., May 28.—Federal internal revenue officers have arrested Henry Kimble, aged eighty years, on a charge of illicit distilling. Kimble's home is in Grant county, W. Va., in a mountain section which has been noted for "moonshining" for many years. Kimble himself has had a varied experience in the business, and the officers have been on the lookout for violations for some time.

They found a "still" on the premises and promptly confiscated it. Several years ago a son of Kimble was murdered by a relative, who struck him over the head with a jag filled with "moonshine." The case was taken to Martinsburg for a hearing before the United States commissioner.

Chief Justice Clark Pours a Hot Fire Into Smith's Slayings.

(Special to The Times-Dispatch.) RALEIGH, N. C., May 28.—Chief Justice Walter Clark, in writing the majority opinion of the Supreme Court finding no error in the trial below of Robert Ligon, charged with the slaying of four men for killing Charles Smith, of Petersburg, Va., during a pistol duel with Fred Clark in the Union Depot at Raleigh last State Fair week, says:

"In a less restrained community it is possible that the contempt shown by these men for the law and the lives of others would have met with more prompt punishment. Certainly, there are those places where both would have been promptly taken in hand by the nearest law and the tax-payers would not have been burdened with the expense of a long trial nor the courts with the examination of technicalities to save the lives of men who, in any aspect of the evidence, had so little regard for the lives of others."

The full list of opinions delivered follows: Wilmington, N. C., from New Hanover, reversed; Windsor, N. C., affirmed; modified and affirmed; case goes to the jury; plaintiff pays the cost of this court. State vs. Lillian, from Wake, no error; City of Durham vs. Fred C. Mills, from Durham, affirmed; Wallace vs. Seaboard Air Line Railway, from Mecklenburg, affirmed; Cat and McLeod vs. Harris, from Swain, affirmed.

The Supreme Court will probably adjourn for the term to-morrow.

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